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1. THE FOLLOWING IS A TRANSLATION OF THE FIRST OFFICIAL COMMENT BY THE GERMAN TRADE UNION FEDERATION (DGB) ON THE RECENT MEANY/ VETTER DISCUSSION IN WASHINGTON. THE COMMENT APPEARED IN THE JUNE 29 ISSUE OF THE DGB WEEKLY WELT DER ARBEIT IN AN ARTICLE BY WALTER FRITZE TITLED CONTACTS:

IT APPEARS THAT THE RELATIONS BETWEEN THE DGB AND THE AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LABOR AFL- CIO WILL IMPROVE. VETTER AND MEANY HAD SEVERAL DETAILED DISCUSSIONS WITH EACH OTHER.

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THE DGB PRESIDENT ALSO MET WITH VARIOUS PRESIDENTS OF AFL- CIO AFFILIATES. THUS, HE WAS ABLE TO ESTABLISH A BROAD BASIS FOR THE REVIVAL OF FRIENDLY RELATIONS.

ALTHOUGH THE MEETINGS WITH MEANY CONTINUED TO BE UNDER THE ASPECTS OF DIFFERING OPINIONS ON OSTPOLITIK, THE DISCUSSIONS TOOK PLACE IN A RESPONSIVE ATMOSPHERE. VETTER DECLARED THAT THE DGB WOULD NEVER ABANDON ITS DEMOCRATIC PRINCIPLES.

THE SITUATION IN EUROPE, THE IMMEDIATE PROXIMITY OF COMMUNIST COUNTRIES, MAKES THE IDEOLOGICAL DEBATES AND ENCOUNTERS WITH THEM INDISPENSABLE. ONE MAY CONCLUDE THAT OUT OF THE DEVELOPMENT OF WORKER ORGANIZATIONS IN THE EAST BLOC MORE LATITUDE EMERGES THERE FOR TRADE UNION POLICY. HILLENBRAND

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